

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of)	
BUDGET PHONE, INC.,)	
for a license to provide basic local exchange)	Case No. U-13329
service.)	
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At the February 28, 2017 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Sally A. Talberg, Chairman
Hon. Norman J. Saari, Commissioner
Hon. Rachael A. Eubanks, Commissioner

ORDER

On March 20, 2002, Budget PrePay, Inc. (Budget PrePay), f/k/a as Budget Phone, Inc., filed an application, pursuant to the Michigan Telecommunications Act (MTA), MCL 484.2101 *et seq.*, for a license to provide basic local exchange service in all exchanges currently served by Ameritech Michigan, Verizon North Inc., and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems. On June 21, 2002, the Commission granted Budget PrePay a permanent license. On February 14, 2017, Budget PrePay informed the Commission of its intent to surrender the license. Budget PrePay no longer serves any customers in Michigan. Budget PrePay notified customers by written letter prior to the transfer of service to Global Communications.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. The license of Budget PrePay, Inc., f/k/a Budget Phone, Inc., to provide basic local exchange service is surrendered.

B. Budget PrePay, Inc., f/k/a Budget Phone, Inc., shall surrender to the North American Numbering Plan Administrator any numbers that have been assigned to it.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so by the filing of a claim of appeal in the Michigan Court of Appeals within 30 days of the issuance of this order, pursuant to MCL 484.2203(12). To comply with the Michigan Rules of Court's requirement to notify the Commission of an appeal, appellants shall send required notices to both the Commission's Executive Secretary and to the Commission's Legal Counsel. Electronic notifications should be sent to the Executive Secretary at mpscedockets@michigan.gov and to the Michigan Department of the Attorney General – Public Service Division at pungpl@michigan.gov. In lieu of electronic submissions, paper copies of such notifications may be sent to the Executive Secretary and the Attorney General – Public Service Division at 7109 W. Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Sally A. Talberg, Chairman

Norman J. Saari, Commissioner

Rachael A. Eubanks, Commissioner

By its action of February 28, 2017.

Kavita Kale, Executive Secretary